

NO FIX FOR AGING BQE

State nixes rescue package for crumbling triple cantilever

By Kate Briquelet

The Brooklyn Paper

The feds are pulling the plug on a vital, and long-promised, overhaul of a crumbling portion of the Brooklyn–Queens Expressway, saying that fixing the borough’s transportation artery is just too expensive.

On Tuesday, state and federal trans-

portation officials terminated the first phase of the roughly \$254-million project — effectively killing the overdue reconstruction of the 1.5-mile, triple-cantilevered stretch under Brooklyn Heights and its fabled Promenade.

Officials said they would make piecemeal repairs in-



stead. “They’re making a big mistake — no matter how much funding they may or may not have,” said architect Allen Swerdlow. “The process has gone on for over 20 years and it’s not seen a lot of logical conclusions. We need to make this better, safer and environmen-

tally correct. “You have a huge amount of truck movement on undersized lanes — there’s definitely a danger,” he added. The state Department of Transportation has already begun initial planning of the rehabilitation of the 57-year-old highway — a dire fix that was set to begin full con-

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The state has put off repairing the crumbling tri-level portion of the Brooklyn–Queens Expressway in a cost-cutting move that could put lives in jeopardy.



This design features a Hyatt — and would block Promenade views.

It’s a ‘No-tel’

City reveals designs, but it cloaks the process in secrecy

By Kate Briquelet

The Brooklyn Paper

Residents and local pols say that the city is steamrolling them in an effort to fast-track the controversial hotel, retail, and luxury condos project inside Brooklyn Bridge Park — and the city agreed, revealing last week that the public will have only 30 days to comment on the new designs before a committee of unnamed officials chooses the winner behind closed doors.

Last Tuesday night at Borough Hall, park officials revealed the proposals for a mixed-use complex to rise on

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Pier 1 along Furman Street near Old Fulton Street — prime space inside the park that, they say, must be developed to generate revenue for the park’s \$16-million annual maintenance budget.

But community members were fuming over a short public comment period, which ends on Dec. 22, claiming they need at least another month

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Pizza battle heats up

City blocks new Grimaldi’s over ‘illegal’ oven

By Kate Briquelet

The Brooklyn Paper

The pizza war on Old Fulton Street rages on — before the first pie has even been thrown!

Patsy Grimaldi, whose delicious coal-oven pies made his name synonymous with classic pizza, will return from retirement to take over his original spot under the Brooklyn Bridge in DUMBO after a landlord dispute forced the current owner of the pizzeria to a new store-

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Frank Ciolli	In this corner...	Patsy Grimaldi
Ciolli bought the brand from Grimaldi and promised to keep all recipes and ingredients the same.	Pizza credibility	Grimaldi learned from his piz-zaiolo uncle, Patsy Lancieri, at his East Harlem restaurant in the 1930s.
Ciolli opened versions in Las Vegas and Hoboken (<i>maronelli</i>).	What he did with his good name	Grimaldi sold to Ciolli in 1998 and later regretted it.
Ciolli will make do with a gas-coal oven.	Coal-oven cooking	Grimaldi will get the original coal oven back.
He gets the famous name, but what will Grimaldi’s be without a coal oven? Grimaldi’s is dead.	The name game	New pizzeria will be Juliana’s since he doesn’t own the rights to either of his names.



Patsy Grimaldi will return to making pizza in DUMBO — without either of his famous names, but with his beloved coal-fired oven — setting up a pizza battle.



Urban Park Ranger Andrew Marsala said he was reprimanded by his superiors instead of praised after he caught a man masturbating in Prospect Park.

Ranger jerked around

Catches pervert, but reprimanded, not honored

By Natalie O’Neill

The Brooklyn Paper

A gutsy park ranger who captured a gun-slitting man masturbating in Prospect Park says he was reprimanded by the city for taking matters into his own hands.

Instead of saying “good job,” urban ranger Andrew Marsala’s Parks Department bosses scolded him for not

immediately calling the cops, Marsala told the civil-service newspaper, The Chief on Monday.

“They don’t like it when we do enforcement,” he said. “They said, ‘Why didn’t you just call the police?’ I was like, ‘And let him get away!’”

Earlier this month, Marsala spotted 53-year-old Glen Perouza from Queens pleasuring himself in broad daylight

near the park’s Third Street playground, according to cops.

The fearless ranger—who was leading a children’s tour at the time—confronted the alleged pervert, who bolted into the woods.

Marsala chased Perouza down, grabbed him and held him until cops came. Officers say they discovered

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Olga Bloom dies at 92

By Kate Briquelet

The Brooklyn Paper

Olga Bloom — the spirited violinist who gave up her performing career to create Bargemusic, the 34-year-old floating concert hall on the Fulton Ferry Landing in DUMBO — died on Thanksgiving Day at age 92.

The brilliant and outspoken musician died at an Alzheimer’s care facility in Manhattan, said Mark Peskanov, Bargemusic’s director, leaving a legacy of supporting young classical musicians in a venue unlike any other.

“What Olga did was unprecedented — she wasn’t taking after somebody,” said Peskanov, a fellow violinist and longtime friend. “She had a big heart and a big mind and she expressed it very well. People loved her.”

Bloom was 57 years old in 1976 when she left her career of opera house and Broadway performances to renovate a 100-foot coffee barge, creating a



Photo by Gregory P. Mango

Olga Bloom created Bargemusic in 1977 and turned it into a major classical music venue on the DUMBO waterfront.

simple stage for Bach concertos and Haydn quartets — one with breathtaking views of the Manhattan skyline.

Friends and fellow musicians said that Bloom made

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Shore Road resident Allen Bortnick is furious that air traffic diverted over Bay Ridge is wrecking havoc on his “Jeopardy.”

Just plane annoying

Man says aircraft are killing his television

By Dan MacLeod

The Brooklyn Paper

Low-flying planes over Bay Ridge are wreaking havoc on the TV-watching habits of a Shore Road man — and it has nothing to do with the loud roar of a jet engines making him unable to hear his favorite programs.

Eighty-year-old Allen Bort-

nick says that he hasn’t been able to watch his favorite shows like “NCIS” and “The McLaughlin Group” for the past month-and-a-half, when he began noticing that his tube went on the fritz whenever a plane flew overhead.

“It’s hellish,” he said. “It happens four times a day, but it’s

pretty heavy.”

Bortnick, who has trouble getting around because of a neurological disease, watches hours of TV a day to pass the time between meetings of the community board, where he is a member of the traffic and transportation committee, and hav-

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BUILD bust

Ratner funds ‘jobs’ group — but provides very few jobs

By Daniel Bush

The Brooklyn Paper

The organization that promised to deliver jobs for black supporters of Atlantic Yards has received hundreds of thousands of dollars from developer Bruce Ratner to help train workers for the positions — but has only secured work for 15 people at the \$5-billion mega-project.

The mostly black members of Brooklyn United for Innovative Local Development who were promised some of the 1,500 jobs per year over the project’s 10-year buildout loudly supported Atlantic Yards during the approval process, often appearing in hard hats at rallies and hearings and presenting a contrasting face to the project’s mostly white opponents.

BUILD’s President James Caldwell said that the group has helped 400 people find work around town — but he admitted that only 15 of those positions were on Ratner’s Prospect Heights development, which currently consists of only the under-construction Barclays Center near the corner of Flatbush



Photo by Aaron Greenhouse

Union members were among the strongest supporters of Bruce Ratner’s Atlantic Yards project. But the developer’s ally, BUILD, did not get the promised jobs.

and Atlantic avenues.

Residents filed a lawsuit against Ratner and BUILD last Tuesday in federal court, claiming that executives at BUILD and Ratner’s company falsely promised them union memberships and jobs in exchange for completing a “sham” 15-week training pro-

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SLASH SPREE!

Dozens of cars left flat in Ridge

By Dan MacLeod

The Brooklyn Paper

A vandal went on a tire-slashing rampage overnight on Monday, stranding more than three dozen cars on 71st and 72nd streets — and residents say that the carnage came a day after a Park Slope tire shop plastered the area with business cards.

Neighbors on the block between Third Avenue and Ridge Boule-

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Hamdi Asad was just one of roughly 30 victims in a tire-slashing spree early Tuesday morning in Bay Ridge.

‘Ratatouille’ — for real

City Tech cafeteria is the dirtiest in the borough

By Natalie O’Neill

The Brooklyn Paper

Reading, “riting and rodents! The student cafeteria at City Tech has the filthiest kitchen in Brooklyn, thanks to live rodents, “filth flies,” and workers who smoke in the food preparation area, according to the city.

The Jay Street campus cafe — which has been open to the public for years — received more violations than any other restaurant in the past two months — nearly four times what it takes the city to shut down an eatery.

On its website, the school boasts that its cafeteria offers “heart-healthy items,” but inspectors found no reason to award a Good Housekeeping



Photo by Colin Miron

City health inspectors say that the cafeteria inside City Tech on Jay Street in Downtown is the filthiest eatery in the borough!

seal of approval: Cooks allegedly serve food at hazardous temperatures, allow mice to nest in the kitchen and don’t properly sterilize equipment.

Inspectors also said they found no “hand-washing facility” in the food preparation area “or toilet room.”

The cafe has been shut down after scoring 103 violation points in its October inspection, nearly four times more points than the city needs to shutter a food service establishment. The eatery remains closed.

Nearly all of the cafeteria’s violations were listed “critical,” although the school’s website still features photos of faculty members and students eagerly lined up to order pizza and hot dogs.

“It wasn’t edible — everything

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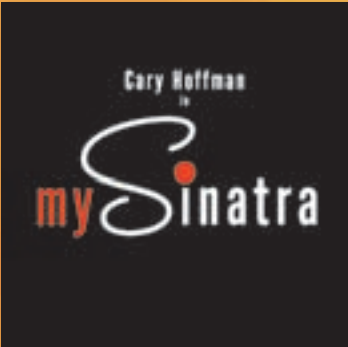
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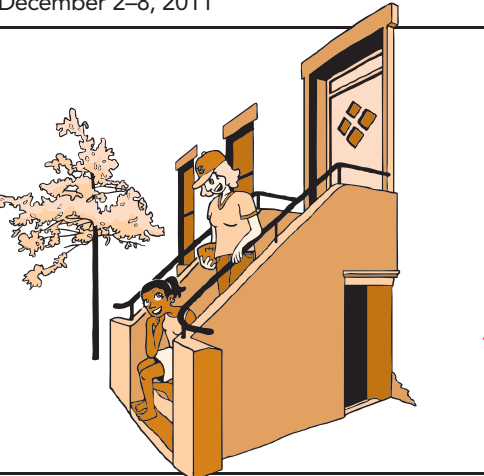
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NEIGHBORHOOD REPORT

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Shore Road resident Evie Wexler says that speeding traffic has turned her idyllic roadway into a demolition derby.

Shore thing

Neighbors want a stop sign to stop the crashes

By Dan MacLeod
The Brooklyn Paper

Shore Road has become a demolition derby where speeding cars careen out of control and crash into parked vehicles as they try to negotiate a blind curve, and it's only a matter of time before someone gets hurt, say neighbors who want the city to slow the cars down.

Cars routinely speed along the area directly in front of Xaverian High School at speeds of more than 40 miles-per-hour, despite the fact that the speed limit nearby is 15 miles-per-hour during school hours, residents claim.

And Evie Wexler says that speeding vehicles have smashed up her beloved Volkswagen twice in the past 18 months because there is nothing slowing down reckless drivers.

"It's a danger zone," she said of the winding road between MacKay Place and 69th Street.

Last July, a Belt Parkway-bound motorcycle skidded out of control and slid into her parked car. Then, two weeks ago, her car was parked in the same spot and got slammed into again, this time by a car that pushed it onto the sidewalk and causing \$10,000 in damage.

There also aren't any crosswalks across Shore Road, which means that pedestrians strolling along the promenade or walking out to the 69th Street Pier have to play Frogger if they want to get across the street in one piece.

"I try not to walk my dogs between 3 and 4 pm because it's a lunatic asylum out here," said Carol Mahoney, who lives directly in front what she says is ground zero for car crashes. "I don't know why the cops don't stop out here and ticket because it's a speedway. It goes on all day long."

Cops from the 68th Precinct say that they have received complaints at that location and regularly have officers patrol the area.

Neighbors are split as to whether there should be a stop sign or a traffic signal, but they all agree: the city needs to act before someone gets hurt.

Shore Road has two stop signs in the area — one on 75th Street, and another on 69th Street. But the six blocks of unfettered driving makes drivers think that they're in an Acura commercial, said Wexler.

"When there's an open roadway, people take advantage of it," she said.

The city denied that the area is dangerous, but promised to check it out after we contacted them about the complaints.

"We will study this location to determine if any changes are appropriate," said Department of Transportation spokesman Monty Dean, who said that there has never been a fatality on that block, and there has only been one injury from 2006 to 2010.

DOWNTOWN

Help save old church

By Kate Briquelet
The Brooklyn Paper

The New Baptist Temple on Schermerhorn Street, which nearly burned down two summers ago is seeking a partner to keep it afloat by building condos or retail in the dilapidated building.

The only catch: Would-be saviors can't tear down the old prayer house — just renovate and build above it.

"It's an interesting combination and it can be done," said Gus Rodriguez, pastor at the 117-year-old edifice. "Don't think of Staples — think of a café or health food store."

Rodriguez calls the deal a "rare and exciting joint venture" that would cost around \$8 million — but the Romanesque Revival building is definitely not for sale.

Instead, a developer would renovate the ground-level sanctuary and reserve some space for the church, which has a 150-member congregation, provides a food pantry and focuses on caring for people with drug and alcohol problems.



Let's make a deal: Baptist Temple pastor Gus Rodriguez is seeking a developer to fix his historic church on Schermerhorn Street.

"After the fire, our main concern was our congregation and service we can provide to community," Rodriguez said. "So much could be done on this corner if we had a facility ready for the 21st century and beyond."

In July, 2010, the church was damaged when a three-alarm fire erupted in the middle of the night in the organ loft, undermining a shoddy boiler and leaky roof.

Zoning allows the developer to build up to eight floors

on the 15,000-square-foot Baptist Temple, which also has an adjacent lot of about 25 by 75 feet. Rodriguez said that his flock would only need at most 16,000 square feet of the 97,000 square feet available for development.

GREENWOOD HEIGHTS

Cemetery's new gate?

Greenhouse bought for visitors center and museum

By Natalie O'Neill
The Brooklyn Paper

Green-Wood Cemetery is ramping up its tourism push by buying a crumbling, but historic, greenhouse across the street with an eye towards turning it into a museum and visitors center.

Officials at the landmark boneyard are closing on a deal to purchase the Weir-McGovern Greenhouse, a dilapidated flower shop on Fifth Avenue and 25th Street.

The greenhouse, which is near the graveyard's west entrance, could soon house artifacts belonging to famous people buried across the street.

Neighbors are cheering for the move, saying the 130-year-old flower shop has long been a blemish on the block.

"I'm tired of looking at a dump, so this is a win for both the neighborhood and the cemetery," said Aaron Brashear of Concerned Citizens of Greenwood Heights.

It may also increase the number of visitors to the 478-acre open space, where famous poets, mobsters and



artists — not to mention half a dozen of Theodore Roosevelt's relatives — are buried.

Even with its history, the 173-year-old cemetery just south of Prospect Park hasn't been a huge tourist draw since the horse-and-buggy days — though in

recent years, the cemetery has reached out to a new audience with tours and site-specific dance pieces.

The family-owned Weir-McGovern Greenhouse was built in 1879 — about 40 years after the cemetery opened — and was known for its striking architecture and springtime chrysanthemums. But business slowed and owners could not generate enough cash to fix the structure. Complicated landmark architecture rules also made repairs more difficult.

The greenhouse building — which is worth nearly \$3 million — has been closed for at least three weeks, according to neighbors.

Owner Kevin McGovern did not respond to calls; a phone number listed for the business just rings.

Its closure is fine with Brashear, who says the structure's proximity to the 25th Street subway station sets the tone for visitors to the neighborhood, making its repair even more important.

"It could be beautiful," he said. "It's a natural extension of the cemetery."

DOWNTOWN

X-mas comes early on Fulton Mall

By Colin Mixson
The Brooklyn Paper

Talk about a holiday rush.

The Fulton Mall started piping in Christmas tunes on Nov. 17, a full week before Thanksgiving, leaving some shoppers feeling that the borough's premiere shopping street was trying to put people in a spending mood

too soon.

"I don't like it," said Jai Stroud-Garrett, 30, of Prospect Heights, as she strolled past the speakers on lightposts along the Downtown strip last week. "I know it's weird to say, but it's disrespectful to Thanksgiving. We haven't even had Thanksgiving dinner yet."

The early-bird Christmas

songs include oldies like "Jingle Bells" and "White Christmas," as well jazzier tunes like Frank Sinatra's "I'll Be Home for Christmas" and Nat "King" Cole's "The Christmas Song."

Michael Burke, interim president of the Downtown Brooklyn Partnership, said that the music began early this year because of a con-

tractor schedule.

"It's earlier than any of us would like — we'd prefer this go on after Thanksgiving," Burke admitted. "But the contractor is on a really tight schedule."

Shoppers have noticed more than just the early debut of holiday music, as trees and decorations appear days before turkeys are popped out

of the oven.

"The tree was up last week, way too early," said Stash McCarthy. "The music is too early, too. They should wait until after Thanksgiving."

The Mall is also festooned with yuletide decorations — but shoppers were mostly miffed by the music.

"The decorations are all right," said Dominic Brown,

20, who endured the Christmas tunes while waiting for a friend. "But the music is too much. They should wait at least into December."

Some fear that the unseasonal Christmas jazz presents a dangerous trend — and could leave shopper's ears ringing with jingle-bells and sleigh songs all year round.

But not everyone was put off by the mismatched tunes.

"I have my headphones," said Shalewa Mackall, "so it doesn't bother me."

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Endoscopic Ultrasound Can Help Diagnose Pancreatic Cancer Earlier

By Mukul Arya, M.D., Director of Advanced Endoscopy
New York Methodist Hospital

The mortality rate for pancreatic cancer has not budged for the past 40 years. However, a new interventional endoscopy technique could potentially change this. Endoscopic ultrasound (EUS) is the result of the marriage of two important technologies, endoscopy and sonography. This diagnostic procedure can help determine stages of cancer, specifically cancers that are difficult to treat in their later stages. New York Methodist Hospital is now one of the few hospitals in Brooklyn to offer this minimally invasive procedure that sees, samples, and stages pancreatic, rectal and intestinal cancer, among other gastrointestinal (GI) diseases.

With EUS, physicians can view the GI tract with traditional endoscopy, and then see beyond the tract, using an ultrasound probe attached to the end of the scope. Ultrasound images have the ability to reveal tumors at an even earlier stage than CT (computed tomography) scans, because they are nearer to the organs. And, the chances of curing cancer are better if it is caught at an early stage and has not yet spread to other areas of the GI tract.

EUS is also more accurate than traditional ultrasound because of its proximity to the area in question. Physicians are

now able to see the wall, and then see through it—with traditional endoscopy, they cannot know what might be hiding just beyond the reach of the scope. With the ultrasound device close to the organs, the images of areas seen are high quality and very detailed. EUS also can gather images and information about the layers of the intestinal wall and neighboring blood vessels.

Ultrasound can also determine the size and location of a tumor and whether it has spread to nearby blood vessels or other structures—if so, physicians can perform a type of biopsy called fine-needle aspiration to collect tissue samples, sooner than later. These cells can then be tested to see if they are cancerous and the best course of treatment can be selected.

In addition to staging cancer, EUS can also be used to evaluate chronic pancreatitis, study tumors in organs like the gallbladder and the liver, and study the muscles of the GI tract to determine reasons for incontinence.

Endoscopy and sonography are important means to help in the early diagnosis of gastrointestinal diseases. Especially with cancers, improved detection modalities such as EUS can provide a path to a possible cure.

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Carroll Gardens–Cobble Hill–Red Hook

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An assortment of cigarettes, Valium, and Prozac were also removed during the 2:03 am break-in near Pacific Street—after the thief forced open the back door with a stiff piece of pipe, presumably a crowbar.

iPhone beat

A pair of thugs attacked a 29-year-old — leaving him with a fractured jaw — during a brutal Nov. 26 iPhone robbery on Congress Street.

The victim was nearing Hicks Street at 6:30 pm when the suspects jumped him, cracked his jawbone with one punch, and then demanded the man’s property.

Cell stolen

Two punks beat and kicked a 33-year-old woman until she gave up her cellphone during a violent Thanksgiving Day attack on Hamilton Avenue.

The victim was nearing W. Ninth Street at 6:30 pm when the suspects jumped her.

— Thomas Tracy

84TH PRECINCT

Brooklyn Heights–DUMBO–Boerum Hill–Downtown

Cell hell

At least four cellphones were swiped across the neighborhood last week:

- A thief stole one from a woman at the Hoyt Street station at around 10:30 am on Nov. 23.
- A thief stole a cellphone on Bridge Street near Prospect Street at around 1:15 am on Nov. 26.
- Another cellphone was swiped on Dean Street near Fourth Avenue at 3:35 pm on Nov. 22.
- And three crooks stole a man’s cellphone on Montague Street between Court and Clinton streets at 10 pm on Nov. 27.

Home invasion

Two thugs entered a Clark Street home and assaulted its occupant on Nov. 23 — and all they got was a lousy MP3 player.

The victim said that he was inside his apartment, which is between Hicks and Henry streets, at 1:55 pm when he heard a knock on his door.

When he answered, the men entered the apartment and one of them said, “This is a robbery. If you move, I’ll kill you.”

Then they beat him up, stole the music-playing device and left.

Gang stabbing

Four thugs stabbed an MTA employee on Flatbush Avenue Extension on Nov. 21.

The victim was near Fleet Street at 7:15 pm when the men approached, and asked if he was a member of a rival gang. Then they stabbed him and ran away.

The victim was treated at Kings County Hospital.

House break-in

A crook stole jewelry and a TV from a Schermerhorn Street home on Nov. 22.

The occupant said she left the apartment between Hoyt and Bond streets, at 9:30 am. When she returned at 6 pm, the television and necklaces were missing.

Beaten for cash

Two thugs stole \$150 from a woman on Warren Street on Nov. 23.

The victim told police that she was near Bond Street at 3:45 pm when the men grabbed the cash from her hands, pushed her to the ground and fled.

Dollar daze

Two thugs beat up a man for refusing to give them a dollar on Lawrence Street on Nov. 22.

The victim said that he was between Fulton and Willoughby streets at 4 pm when the men asked him for the buck.

“I don’t have a dollar,” the man said, and kept walking.

The men responded by punching him in the face several times.

Ganged up

A gang of 15 thugs stole a teen’s cellphone in McLaughlin Park on Nov. 21.

The young adult told police that he was inside of the park, between Tillary Street and Cathedral Place, at 2 pm when the gang approached and asked him for his phone.

When he refused, one of them said, “How about I just shoot you?”

The teen complied, handing over his phone.

Box out

Four thieves armed with a box cutter stole a man’s cell-

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phone steps away from the Brooklyn House of Detention on Atlantic Avenue on Nov. 21.

The victim said that he was across from the jail between Smith Street and Boerum Place at 9 pm when the thugs put the box cutter to his neck and demanded he hand over the phone.

— Daniel Bush

88TH PRECINCT

Fort Greene–Clinton Hill

Apple picking

Some jerk yanked an iPhone from a man on Lafayette Avenue on Nov. 21.

The 28-year-old victim told police that he was near Cumberland Street at 8:05 am when the thief came up from behind and grabbed his mobile.

The man struggled to retrieve his phone but the perp fled.

Tech dirt

A burglar scored big time after breaking into a Carlton Avenue apartment on Nov. 22 — escaping with an iMac, Sony TV and Bose speakers.

The 29-year-old victim told police that he last saw his tech toys at 9 pm. The next afternoon, he realized his stuff—including a Sony PSP3 and cable box — was gone.

Bike theft

Cops say they arrested twin thieves on Nov. 23 after they stole an expensive bike from a Flatbush Avenue storage space.

A witness told cops that he saw the perps clip locks off a storage area between Fulton Street and Lafayette Avenue at 4:31 pm and take a \$3,500 Bianchi.

Hours later, one of the alleged crooks returned to the scene and police cuffed him after they found the two-wheeler in his locker.

They arrested his alleged accomplice later that evening.

Mazda madness

A thief stole a Mazda sedan from Fulton Street between Nov. 22 and Nov. 24.

The victim told police that she parked near S. Oxford Street at 2:30 am and returned two days later to find her green Protege gone.

Choke attack

A marauder put a man in a chokehold to steal his cellphone and iPod on Greene Avenue on Nov. 26.

The 21-year-old victim told cops that he was near Washington Avenue at 4:15 am when the crook approached from behind and said, “Don’t say anything!”

He choked the victim, grabbed his Verizon Incredible phone and fled.

— Kate Briquelet

78TH PRECINCT

Park Slope

Three thugs

A group of hoodlums beat up a man on Sackett Street on Nov. 25.

The 46-year-old victim told cops that he was near Fourth Avenue at 5:30 am when three men ran up from behind. One of them punched him in the head, which knocked off his glasses, while another man snatched the backpack off of his shoulder.

The jerks then ran away with the bag — which held the wallet and cellphone.

Bad drink

A quick-moving thief snatched a fancy wallet from a bar-goer on Union Street on Nov. 19.

The 30-year-old victim told cops that he hung her purse on the back of a chair at Union Hall near Fifth Avenue at 2:30 am, had a drink and returned an hour later. That’s when she discovered that her \$600 wallet — along with several credit cards inside — gone.

Rough ride

A thug stabbed a strap-hanger on Fourth Avenue on Nov. 21.

A witness told cops that a 30-year-old man was outside the F train near Ninth Street at 9:40 pm when two jerks hit him in the face and threw him to the ground before one of the men stabbed him in the thigh with a knife.

An ambulance rushed the poor guy to a hospital — and cops arrested two men the same night.

Can’t compute

A thief stole a laptop from a woman on Union Street on Nov. 21.

The 22-year-old victim told cops that she left her MacBook and headphones outside a building near Fifth Avenue for 15 minutes, which was enough time for the crook

to snatch the gadget and run away.

R-ascal rider

A ballsy thief snatched the God tablet from a straphanger on the R train under Fourth Avenue on Nov. 20.

The 33-year-old victim told cops that he was holding an iPad while riding the train near Ninth Street at 11:20 pm when a man wearing a gray hooded sweatshirt grabbed it and ran out of the subway station.

— Natalie O’Neill

77TH PRECINCT

Prospect Heights

Teach ’em

A out-of-control teacher went after the principal of the North Star Academy school on Sterling Place Nov. 22.

The 52-year-old victim, the principal of the middle school between Flatbush and Underhill avenues, told cops that a teacher began to yell at her at 9:45 am before safety agents intervened on her behalf.

The offending teacher then went to the principal’s office, telling her, “You will see what I will do.”

Carlton kick

A jerk assaulted a teenager on Carlton Avenue on Nov. 26.

The 17-year-old victim told cops that she was between Dean and Bergen streets at 5:35 pm when a stranger kicked her in the eye.

Bag thief

A thief broke into a car on Pacific Street overnight on Nov. 21.

The 39-year-old victim told cops that he left his car between Underhill and Vanderbilt avenues at 10 pm, returning to the car two-and-a-half hours later to find the front door tampered with and two of his bags missing.

— Eli Rosenberg

94TH PRECINCT

Greenpoint–Northside

Knives out

A violent thug slashed a 46-year-old man’s face, neck and arm inside a Norman Avenue building on Nov. 24.

The perp approached the victim at 6 pm with two knives and started slashing his body.

The suspect ran out of the building to Jewel Street, but police arrested him later that day.

Same-day theft

A thief stole a TV, iPad, laptop, video game system and jewelry from a Nassau Avenue apartment on Nov. 23.

The tenants left their apartment near Jewel Street at 8:30 am, but when they returned at 5 pm, they discovered that their home had been ransacked and their property was missing.

iPhone ibreak

A thief stole an iPhone, iPad and suitcase from a Ford van on McGuinness Boule-

vard overnight on Nov. 26.

The driver parked at 11:59 pm and returned to the spot near Greenpoint Avenue at 10:30 am the next day to find his stuff missing.

Scooter libby

A thief stole a Yamaha scooter on Franklin Street on Nov. 21.

The driver chained up the bike near Calyer Street at 12:01 am, but when he returned eight hours later, he saw that his scooter was missing.

Capricious thief

A thief stole a Chevrolet Caprice on Lombardy Street last week.

The driver parked near Varick Avenue on Nov. 20 at 10 pm and returned to the spot on Nov. 25 to find the car gone.

— Aaron Short

90TH PRECINCT

Southside–Bushwick

Orient express

Some thugs wrecked an apartment on Orient Avenue, stealing \$2,950 worth of electronics and jewelry on Nov. 16.

The victim had returned to her apartment near Metropolitan Avenue at 5:15 pm to find kitchen knives sticking out of her counters, her furniture smashed and spray paint covering the walls.

Upon further investigation, she discovered that two laptops, an iPod, a watch and \$700 were also missing.

Southside stab

A man was stabbed in his S. Third Street apartment by his uncle on Nov. 19.

The victim told cops that he was inside the apartment between Berry Street and Bedford Avenue at around 3:35 pm when he started arguing with his relative.

At some point, the fight got violent, when the uncle brandished a knife and stabbed his nephew in his left side.

He was taken to Woodhull Hospital, where he was in stable condition.

Dog dazed

Cops nabbed a man who they said sneaked into a S. Second Street apartment while the tenant was walking his dog on Nov. 19.

The victim said that he left the unit, which is between Marcy Avenue and Have-meyer Street, at around 6 pm to give his pooch some relief.

That’s when the would-be burglar entered the home, where the victim found him brandishing a knife that he’d taken from a drawer.

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Pick your new hotel

Seven Brooklyn Bridge Park plans revealed

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The Dermot Company, a Manhattan-based firm that renovated the Williamsburgh Savings Bank into a luxury condo, wants to build a cantilevered Hyatt hotel, residential building, and home for St. Ann's Warehouse made of aluminum panels.



RAL Companies, owned by developer Robert A. Levine of One Brooklyn Bridge Park fame, wants to build a glass and concrete Le Meridien hotel with lower-level retail space and a highly reflective glass residential complex to capture the Manhattan skyline.



SDS Procida, a Brooklyn firm helmed by Mario Procida who built Richard Meier's On Prospect Park, would create a futuristic all-glass building with a hotel on the top floors. Residential units below would wrap around a glass atrium with a 70-foot-high escalator to the hotel.

PARK...

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to determine the best plan. Residents also slammed the Brooklyn Bridge Park Development Corporation for refusing to reveal who will make the final decision.

"These parcels are at the very center of the park," said Tony Manheim, a member of the park's powerless community advisory council. "To turn it over to private development without full and adequate consideration is a foolhardy maneuver."

Councilman Steve Levin (D-Brooklyn Heights), state Sen. Daniel Squadron (D-Brooklyn Heights), and Assemblywoman Joan Millman (D-Cobble Hill) also requested the city extend the deadline for public review, but park officials denied their request, claiming they've worked too hard to slow the process down.

"We've been working long hours and expect to ... move this as fast as we can," said David Lowin of the Brooklyn Bridge Park Corporation, the quasi-government agency that is overseeing the park. "We need to move this project forward so that it benefits the public and the park."

Residents and pols also demanded to know who was

going to choose the developer.

"Who is on the selection committee? And why is a community member not going to be appointed?" Levin asked.

But tight-lipped park officials wouldn't budge, claiming that the secret panelists would come from many city agencies.

"We're not releasing their names," said Regina Myer, president of the park corporation.

Some residents were also frustrated when park officials didn't address concerns over increased traffic and the actual dimensions of the proposed buildings.

"It's very difficult to respond responsibly to these schemes without having more information," said Katrin Adam, a member of the Fulton Ferry Landing Association.

Park officials also wouldn't say whether a new traffic study would be conducted after claims that Fulton Ferry has become more congested since Furman Street became a two way thoroughfare this past summer, and refused to consider allowing the public to see actual models some architects prepared.



Extell Development wants a Westin hotel and three other residential buildings in a glass, zinc, wood and terra cotta building with rooftop green spaces.



Starwood Capital Group would have copper fins lining the facades that move with the wind to create a kinetic sculpture. A hotel would be in the lower floors of a larger building with apartments above it.



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which stems from a 2002 agreement that requires the \$350-million green space and development to raise its own maintenance budget so it would not become a drain on city and state coffers.

As part of that funding plan, the city will collect ground rent and property taxes earmarked for the 85-acre green space from Pier 1 and future high-rises at John Street in DUMBO and the southern leg of the park at Pier 6.

The seven developers for Pier 1 include:

- The Dermot Company, the Manhattan-based firm that turned the former Williamsburgh Savings Bank into a luxury condo, wants to build a cantilevered Hyatt hotel and residential building made of aluminum panels — and a new theater for St. Ann's Warehouse, which is being booted from its DUMBO home next year.
- Extell Development, the Manhattan company that built the flashy W Hotel Times Square, would build a Westin hotel and three other residential buildings in a glass, zinc, wood and terra cotta building with rooftop green spaces.
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Barron throws in

Joins fight against Rep. Towns in 2012

By Thomas Tracy
The Brooklyn Paper

Firebrand Councilman Charles Barron has joined the battle to unseat 30-year Rep. Ed Towns—adding another big name candidate to the 2012 race.

Barron made the announcement in East New York on Sunday, promising to take his “tell it like it is” attitude all the way to Washington.

“We are going to be the voice of our people,” said Barron. “We’re sick and tired of both the Democrats and the Republicans in Washington,

because it doesn’t matter who gets in office. We still have a corporate elite running a two-party system, so we’re saying, ‘No’ to that.

“We gotta be the voice of the people and tell it like it is everywhere,” he continued. “I don’t know if I’m going to get a single bill passed and I don’t care. We’re going to rock ‘em.”

Barron, a former Black Panther whose rants against the city leadership has put him at odds with Speaker Christine Quinn — and has marginalized his own clout in City Hall — acted as if

he’s already won.

But he still has a long way to go: the primary featuring himself, Towns and Assemblyman Hakeem Jeffries (D–Fort Greene), is 10 months away, and Barron has yet to file with the Federal Elections Commission. Jeffries, on the other hand, has more than \$170,000 cash to begin his campaign against Towns, who has just \$11,000 in his war chest right now.

Being an incumbent, however, he will likely raise more than \$1 million by next summer.

Towns also has history on



File photo by Rebecca Ballhaus

Councilman Charles Barron (D-Canarsie) announced that he will run against Rep. Ed Towns (D-Fort Greene) in 2012.

his side: he has represented the district, which spans from Fort Greene to Canarsie, for three decades. He’s also run against Barron before—and won. The councilman ran against Towns in 2006 in a three-way race for the Democratic nomination, losing 48-37 percent, with third-place finisher Roger Green picking up 15 percent.

Barron often runs for office — and often loses. But he brings an insurgent’s energy to the race. Of the three candidates, he’s the only one known for his opposition to

Walmart’s plans to bring a big box stores to southern Brooklyn — a position he mentions pretty much wherever he goes.

A spokeswoman for Jeffries wouldn’t comment. A spokesman for Towns said Barron will lose with Jeffries.

“Congressman Towns has something that neither candidate has: a record of taking on banks and insurance companies,” Towns spokesman Hank Sheinkopf said. “He’s going to run on that record and get re-elected.”

A hospital stay

The city halts redevelopment of the former medical center in Greenpoint

By Aaron Short
The Brooklyn Paper

The city has halted the redevelopment of the long-defunct Greenpoint Hospital after the project’s contractor was connected to underpaying workers at another site in the Bronx.

“We are taking the allegations very seriously,” said Eric Bederman, a spokesman for the Department of Housing Preservation and Development. “When that investigation is complete, we will consider whether to continue negotiations with [the developer].”

Last April, Queens-based Great American Construction fended off three rivals to win the contract to convert the former hospital site on Maspeth and Kingsland avenues into 240 units of below-market-rate housing.

But one of the losing bidders sued the city in February for “unfairly” awarding development rights of the



The former Greenpoint Hospital site.

\$52-million project to the outer-borough company.

And last month, federal agents arrested a key city housing official who helped steer the contract to Great American, for allegedly accepting \$600,000 in unrelated bribes.

Two weeks later, the city and the federal Department of Labor launched an investigation into Great American after several of its construction workers complained that a contractor working with the developer under-

paid them, according to the Daily News.

In response, the city is withholding \$575,000 in funding to Great American pending the outcome of those investigations.

Great American’s Samuel Gaccione said was confident he would be breaking ground soon.

“We’re still looking forward to developing affordable housing in Greenpoint,” said Gaccione.

But neighborhood residents say the scandal should disqualify Great American from developing the site.

“The city needs to back down from this bad decision,” said Jan Peterson of the Greenpoint Renaissance Enterprise Coalition, a losing bidder. “This whole thing is just a travesty. This is the kind of things that cause whole communities to have a lack of faith in the public sector and the private sector.”

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gram run by the Downtown nonprofit in 2010.

Caldwell disputed the claim, and blamed his failure to secure more Atlantic Yards jobs for local residents on the economy and lawsuits from Yards opponents.

“There would be [more jobs] had all these things not taken place,” he said. “The bottom fell out of the economy.”

But the Great Recession didn’t hurt BUILD’s bottom line: the organization’s annual operating budget increased from \$191,721 in

2007 to \$279,395 in 2009, according to the latest available documents from the Internal Revenue Service.

Approximately 85 percent of the salaries and benefits of Caldwell and his chief operating officer Marie Louis.

Ratner has covered a significant portion of those funds; including 77 percent of the group’s operating costs this year, according to Louis. BUILD runs a storefront office on Hudson Place that offers job-training and resume and interview preparation.

The developer began pay-

ing the organization in 2005, after BUILD and seven other groups signed a controversial “community benefits agreement” that promised jobs, job-training, housing, and other amenities to supporters.

In exchange, agreement signatories are contractually obligated to speak favorably about Atlantic Yards—a clause that provided Ratner with critical support for the project as it went through the public approval process that year.

Similar agreements in Los Angeles, San Diego, Pittsburgh and other cities have been hailed because community groups were able to pressure developers into fulfilling their promise to create benefits like jobs. But that’s not the case in Brooklyn.

Ratner’s spokesman Joe DePlasco said that 779 people are working on the arena, which will open next fall. Of those, roughly 20 percent are from Brooklyn. DePlasco did not say what percentage were minorities. He confirmed that the developer has provided money for BUILD, but declined to comment further.

Ratner’s allies said that the developer should not be held responsible for the project’s slow start.

“If in fact the project is not living up to what it has promised with regard to the jobs than those who opposed the project bear some of the

responsibility [for that],” said Rev. Herbert Daughtry, pastor of the House of the Lord Pentecostal Church in Boerum Hill, who was given final say over the distribution of free tickets at the arena.

But Atlantic Yards opponents criticized BUILD and the developer for failing to deliver more jobs.

“The jobs [promise] was all hype from the beginning,” said Democratic District Leader Chris Owens. “If BUILD can’t hold Ratner’s feet to the fire for these jobs than it says a lot about the credibility of Ratner or the lack thereof.”

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City Tech spokesman Steve Soiffer blamed an outside food vendor for the problems.

“We are as surprised as anyone,” he said, adding that the contract had been terminated. “We take the health and safety of our students extremely seriously.”

— with Colin Mixson

“I don’t see how you can pressure [a developer] if you take money from them,” said Barney Oursler, whose organization negotiated to get 300 jobs at the new Pittsburgh Penguins arena, which opened last year.

“In the best of circumstances everyone involved ought to get something of value,” added David Marcello, the executive director of The Public Law Center, who studies community benefits agreements.

RANGER...

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something even more disturbing: The creep was packing a loaded handgun and bag of weed.

After the whole ordeal, a city councilwoman recommended that Marsala be honored for the heroic act—but the Parks Department apparently doesn’t share the same admiration for its fearless staffer.

“No comment,” said an

agency spokeswoman when asked about the daring woodsman’s award. She did not respond to questions about why he was reprimanded or what punishment he received.


All of which does not bode well with Marsala, who risked his life to keep Brooklyn’s backyard safe.


“All they had to do was say, ‘Good job,’” he said. “I would have been happy with that.”

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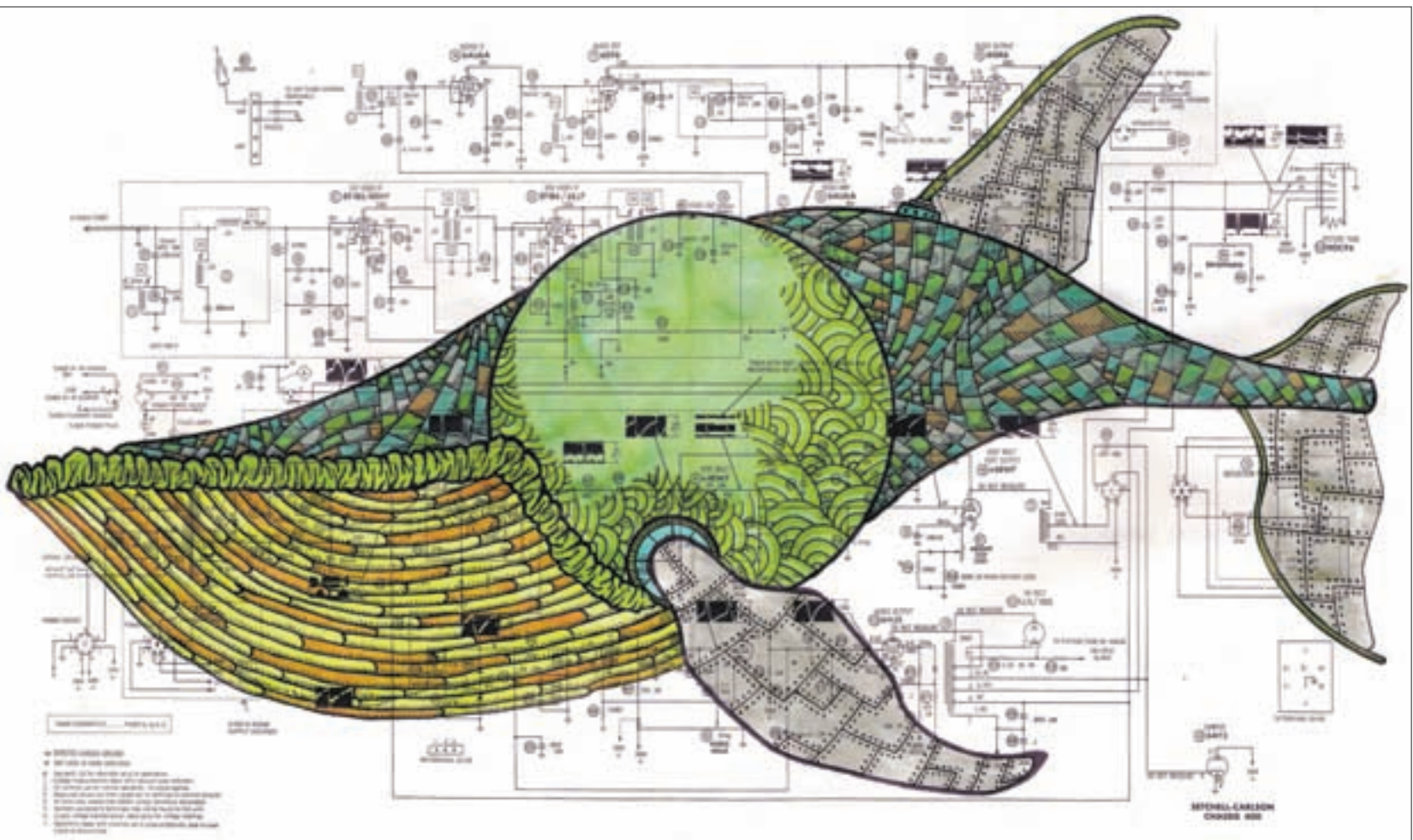
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All is whale

Matt Kish's illustrated version of 'Moby-Dick' is huge

By **Juliet Linderman**
The Brooklyn Paper

He's just like Ahab — except for one key detail. Unlike the doomed captain, Matt Kish defeated Herman Melville's white whale — and landed a book deal in the process. Two years ago, Kish plunged head first into illustrating every page of "Moby-Dick" — and this month, he's celebrating the release of "Moby-Dick in Pictures: One Drawing for Every Page," comprised of his own original illustrations inspired by — and juxtaposed against — Melville's complex text. "It was an astounding feeling," Kish said, of conquering "Moby-Dick" — the novel that has stymied the smartest comp lit majors. "I was as obsessed as Ahab — I'd wake in the middle of the night thinking about it. Thank god I'm still married." The book runs a cool 600 pages, and contains 552 illustrations that took Kish 543 days to complete. Initially, the drawing-a-day endeavor was confined to Kish's blog, and existed as a way for Kish to rekindle his love of drawing, with the comfort and companionship of his favorite novel. But after Kish's last trip to Brooklyn — where presented his drawings at Pete's Candy Store in Williamsburg to excited fans and at least one book agent — the scope of the project began to evolve. "It wouldn't have happened if I hadn't



Great white: Matt Kish is the artist behind "Moby-Dick in Pictures: One Drawing for Every Page," which features amazing artwork.



Illustrations by Matt Kish

come to Brooklyn," Kish said. "I never thought it would be a book." Kish's colorful, obsessive, frenetic illustrations create a layered, dreamy and, at times extremely dark, re-imagining of "Moby-Dick," when paired with Melville's prose, is more of an interpretation all its own than an homage. The voyage was no easy feat — but for Kish, one of the hardest parts was finishing it.

"I knew every second I spent working on other things was putting off that moment of inevitable freedom," Kish said. "But it was very bittersweet; even in the darkest moments, even when I felt completely obsessed with finishing, I still had Ishmael, I still had Ahab, I still had Queequeg. Saying goodbye to them is heartbreaking." As Ishmael can attest, it's tough to be

the only one who survives to tell the tale — but Kish's visual storytelling is so strikingly beautiful, so expertly drawn and full of raw emotion, you'll be glad he did. Matt Kish celebrates "Moby-Dick in Pictures: One Drawing for Every Page" at BookCourt [163 Court St. between Pacific and Dean streets in Cobble Hill, (718) 875.3677], Dec. 3, 7 pm. Free. For info, visit www.bookcourt.org.

THEATER

Enda days

St. Ann's Warehouse solidifies its place as the American home of Irish playwright Enda Walsh with the searing writer's latest descent into madness, the one-man tour de force, "Misterman."



The play, which runs through Dec. 21, tracks the increasingly unraveling mental state of a small-town preacher named Thomas Magill (played by "28 Days Later" heart-throb Cillian Murphy in his American stage debut).

In the course of 90 minutes, Magill seeks out his neighbors — each played by Murphy himself — in an effort to bring religion and salvation to the townspeople. Instead, the interactions only speed Magill's psychological undoing.

"It's a very dark piece, but it's very beautifully created," said St. Ann's Warehouse Artistic Director Susan Feldman, whose theater has enjoyed great success with three prior Walsh pieces, including "The New Electric Ballroom" and "The Walworth Farce."

Cillian Murphy in "Misterman" at St. Ann's Warehouse [38 Water St. between Main and Dock streets in DUMBO, (718) 254-8779], through Dec. 21. Tickets, \$35. For info, visit www.stannswarehouse.org. — **Juliet Linderman**

CINEMA

Oscar battle

The Atlantic Yards documentary, "Battle for Brooklyn," has a fighting chance to take home Tinseltown's top prize.

Suki Hawley and Michael Galinsky's exhaustive history of the Prospect Heights mega-project has been short-listed for the Documentary Feature Oscar by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

The husband-and-wife team of filmmakers from Clinton Hill spent eight years making the movie, but said that winning a little gold man was the farthest thing from their minds when they started in 2003. "I'm not placing odds on us [winning]," Galinsky said. "I'm very excited that we even have a chance."

The documentary is a lengthy step-by-step (by step) account of the tainted approval process that paved the way for Bruce Ratner \$5-billion development, which includes the Barclays Center and 16 proposed residential towers.

The land-use saga tells its story through Daniel Goldstein (pictured), the Yards opponent who fought to keep his home from being seized by the state via eminent domain. Goldstein failed, of course — and the rest is history. — **Daniel Bush**



File photo by Julie Rosenberg

DINING

Have a pickle

Peanut butter and jelly, macaroni and cheese, whisky and ... pickles?

It's called a pickleback — a shot of whisky followed by a shot of brine — and on Dec. 10, Brooklyn Oenology is featuring three whisky purveyors and three pickle pedlars to tickle your taste buds (and leave you sauced).

"It's the cleansing nature of the chaser — you drink a shot of whisky, and then a shot of pickle juice, and it's almost like the whisky never happened," said organizer TJ Provenzano, a former bartender at the Bushwick Country Club, which popularized the pickleback four years ago. "They're dangerous like that."

The contrasting combos will include the sweetly flavored Breucklen Wheat "Black Wax" Whisky paired with spicy and garlicky McClure's pickle brine; Finger Lakes-based McKenzie Rye chased with Brooklyn Brine pickle juice; and caramel-tinged Kings County Bourbon coupled with smoky, spicy, vinegar-soaked Rick's Picks Smoked Okra brine. All three pickle purveyors will be present, farmers-market style, to dole out samples and sell whole jars.

Brooklyn Oenology Tasting Room [209 Wythe Ave. between N. Third and N. Fourth streets in Williamsburg, (718) 599-1259], Dec. 10, 3 pm-midnight; Dec. 11, noon-10 pm. \$5 per pairing; \$13 for all three. For info, visit www.brooklynoenology.com. — **Juliet Linderman**



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EDITORS' PICKS

SATURDAY December 3



Garden warm-up

It may be winter, but art is still blossoming at the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, where artist Jae Hi Ahn and Curator Jennifer Williams have created sculptures, prints and glass terrariums in the Steinhardt Conservatory Gallery. The show, called "Terrarium," underscores the tension between the natural and artificial world — but best of all, the Garden is free on Saturday mornings.

All day. "Terrarium" at Brooklyn Botanic Garden [900 Washington Ave. near Eastern Parkway in Crown Heights, (718) 623-7200], through Feb. 26.

SUNDAY December 4

Slap happy

Big budgets blockbusters be damned — the Central Branch is again hosting a silent film series that kicks off with Harold Lloyd's "Girl Shy," one of the first romantic comedies ever made. It stars Lloyd (remember him from the clock-hanging scene in "Safety Last"), whose stutter puts him in jeopardy of losing the girl of his dreams. The film is accompanied by pianist Stuart Oderman, a legend of the ivories.

1:30 pm. "Girl Shy" at the Central branch [Flatbush Avenue at Eastern Parkway in Grand Army Plaza, (718) 230-2100]. Free.



THURSDAY December 8



Thirsty thursdays

Why wait for Friday when you can whet your whistle during "Whisky of the Week" at Longbow Pub and Pantry every Thursday? Bay Ridge's favorite Welsh drinking house features a new top shelf spirit (Penderyn Aur Cymru! Glen-fid-dich!) for rock-bottom prices each week (think \$8 a pop). We'll raise a glass to that!

All night. Long Bow Pub and Pantry [7316 Third Ave. between 73rd and 74th streets in Bay Ridge, (718) 238-7468].

FRIDAY December 9

Stuff it!

This ain't your grandfather's taxidermy! Carnivorous Nights is back at the Bell House with oddball creations and animal hybrids — plus stories from your favorite rogue taxidermists. This year, a guy is even going to bring a two-headed baby — that he made from his own skin (pictured!)

8 pm. Carnivorous Nights at the Bell House [149 Seventh St. between Second and Third avenues in Gowanus, (718) 643-6510]. Tickets, \$7. To preregister, e-mail secret-scienceclub@gmail.com.



SATURDAY December 10



G-men

From subways to galleries, five graffiti pioneers are reliving the 1970s with a new show at the FiveMyles Gallery in Prospect Heights. The show, "Street Art Legends Collective," will feature Albert "Lava & I!" Mercado; Jaime "MICO" Ramirez; Richie "Bama" Admiral; Joe "Clyde" Lopez; and Eddy "Flint 707" Salgado — finally getting to show themselves as artists, not criminals. It's the closest thing to a 1970s subway car!

1–6 pm. FiveMyles Gallery [558 St. Johns Pl. between Classon and Franklin avenues in Prospect Heights, (718) 783-4438], through Dec. 11.

NINE DAYS IN BROOKLYN

FRI, DEC. 2

"TEDXBROOKLYN": Talks, music, art exhibits, tech demos and more with "betterists" from all walks of life. \$100. 7 am. Brooklyn Bowl [61 Wythe Ave. between N. 11th and N. 12th streets in Williamsburg, (718) 963-3369], www.brooklynbowl.com.

MUSIC, NATALIE PIRES AND TUDO ISTO É FADO: Free. 7 pm. BAM-Cafe [30 Lafayette Ave. between Ashland Place and St. Felix Street in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4129], www.bam.org.

MUSIC, JEFFREY FOUCAULT, MARK ERELLI: \$12. 7:30 pm. Union Hall [702 Union St. at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 638-4400], www.unionhallny.com.

THEATER, CILLIAN MURPHY IN "MISTERMAN": The fourth in a series of acclaimed works by Enda Walsh. \$55 / \$70 for premium seats. 8 pm. St. Ann's Warehouse [38 Water St. at Dock Street in DUMBO, (718) 254-8779], www.stannswarehouse.org.

MUSIC, HENRY THREADGILL: \$25. 8 pm. Roulette [509 Atlantic Ave. between Third Avenue and Nevins Street in Downtown, (917) 267-0363], www.roulette.org.

THEATER, "HENRY V": The Irondale Ensemble presents Shakespeare's drama. \$35. 8 pm. Irondale Center [85 S. Oxford St. at Lafayette Avenue in Fort Greene, (718) 488-9233], www.irondale.org.

DANCE, PERFORMANCE AND DISCUSSION: Featuring BAX's grant recipients. \$15. 8 pm. BAX—Brooklyn Arts Exchange [421 Fifth Ave. at Eighth Street in South Slope, (718) 832-0018], www.bax.org.

THEATER, "A CHRISTMAS CAROL": Narrows Community Theater presents its holiday production. \$20 (\$15 seniors and students). 8 pm. Fort Hamilton Army Base Theater [403 Lee Ave at 101st Street in Bay Ridge, (718) 482-3173], www.theateronline.com.

MUSIC, JUKEBOX THE GHOST: With The Spinto Band and Deleted Scenes. \$10. 8 pm. Brooklyn Bowl [61 Wythe Ave. between N. 11th and N. 12th streets in Williamsburg, (718) 963-3369], www.brooklynbowl.com.



Cock-a-doodle: Check out the sixth annual Carnivorous Nights Taxidermy Contest at the Bell House in Gowanus on Dec. 9!

Photo by Bens Adler

SAT, DEC. 3

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

COFFEE BARK: FIDO offers free goodies for dogs and their owners. Free. 7 am–9 am. Prospect Park Picnic House (West Dr. at Third Street in Park Slope), www.prospectpark.org.

NATURE WALK: Hunt for wild coffee with "Wildman" Steve Brill. Pre-registration required. \$20 (\$10 children under 12). 11:45 am. Prospect Park [Grand Army Plaza at Flatbush Avenue in Prospect Heights, (914) 835-2153], www.wildmanstevebrill.com.

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COMEDY, MUSTACHE PARTY COM-EDY SHOW: Free. 8:30 pm. Red Star Bar [37 Greenpoint Ave. between Franklin and West streets in Greenpoint, (718) 349-0149].

MUSIC, MARGRET GREBOWICZ: Free. 9 pm. Tea Lounge [837 Union St. at Seventh Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 789-2762], www.tealoungeyny.com.

MUSIC, KEYS 'N KRATES: \$5. 11:30 pm. Brooklyn Bowl [61 Wythe Ave. between N. 11th and N. 12th streets in Williamsburg, (718) 963-3369], www.brooklynbowl.com.

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MUSIC, TASCA AS PART OF TUDO ISTO É FADO: Free. 7 pm. BAM-Cafe [30 Lafayette Ave. between Ashland Place and St. Felix Street in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4129], www.bam.org.

DANCE, BALLET: Le Dance Off members perform to music from Bach to Lady Gaga. \$30. 8 pm. Kingsborough Community College [2001 Oriental Blvd. at Decatur Avenue in Manhattan Beach, (718) 368-5596], www.onstageatkingsborough.org.

THEATER, CILLIAN MURPHY IN "MISTERMAN": 8 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

THEATER, "HENRY V": 8 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

DANCE, PERFORMANCE AND DISCUSSION: 8 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

THEATER, "A CHRISTMAS CAROL": 8 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

EVENT, THE DESK SET BIBLIOTHALL: A dance party for librarians, archivists, authors and the people who love them. \$20–\$40. 8 pm. Bell House [149 Seventh St. at Third Avenue in Gowanus, (718) 643-6510], www.thebellhouseyny.com.

MUSIC, ECLECTIC JAZZ PERFORMANCE: With Marty Ehrlich and Jerome Harris. \$10. 8 pm. Brooklyn Conservatory Concert Hall [58 Seventh Ave. in Park Slope, (718) 622-3300], www.bqcm.org.

MUSIC, MYLES MANLEY: Free. 9 pm. Tea Lounge [837 Union St. at Seventh Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 789-2762], www.tealoungeyny.com.

MUSIC, GENE WEEN AND DAVE DREIWIETZ: \$15. 9 pm. Brooklyn Bowl [61 Wythe Ave. between N. 11th and N. 12th streets in Williamsburg, (718) 963-3369], www.brooklynbowl.com.

MUSIC, THE FREEDOM PARTY DJ NIGHT: Featuring the Beatnuts. \$10. 11:30 pm. Brooklyn Bowl [61 Wythe Ave. between N. 11th and N. 12th streets in Williamsburg, (718) 963-3369], www.brooklynbowl.com.

CIVIC CALENDAR

TUES, DEC. 6

Community Board 8 Parks and Recreation Committee. Monthly meeting. 6 pm. St. John's Recreation Center [1251 Prospect Pl. at Schenectady Avenue in Prospect Heights, (718) 467-5574], www.brooklynbc8.org.

Community Board 1. Full board. Free. 6:30 pm. Swingin' Sixties Senior Center [211 Ainslie St. at Manhattan Avenue in Williamsburg, (718) 389-0009], www.cb1brooklyn.org.

WED, DEC. 7

Fourth Avenue Task Force. 7 pm. Community Board 7 office [4201 Fourth Ave. at 43rd Street in Sunset Park, (718) 854-0003], www.brooklynbc7.org.

THURS, DEC. 8


Brooklyn Bridge Rotary Club. Weekly meeting. 12:15 pm. Brooklyn Marriott [333 Adams St. in Downtown, (917) 804-0797].

Community Board 7 Transportation Committee. On the agenda: the Waterfront Greenway and bike sharing. 6:30 pm. Community Board 7 office [4201 Fourth Ave. at 43rd Street in Sunset Park, (718) 854-0003], www.brooklynbc7.org.

Community Board 8. Full board. 7 pm. Haitian American Day Care Center [1491 Bedford Ave. at St. Johns Place in Crown Heights, (718) 467-5574], www.brooklynbc8.org.

Community Board 10. Full board. 7:30 pm. Holy Family Home [1740 84th St. at Bay 16th Street in Bensonhurst, (718) 266-8800], www.brooklynbc11.org.

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Whisky rebellion

Here’s another footnight of food flashes

**Foodie-in-Chief**
By Sarah Zorn

Forget about turkey and mashed potatoes — get your weekly whisky fix at Longbow Pub and Pantry in Bay Ridge, your monthly taste of smoked seafood at Shelsky’s in Cobble Hill, and your overall fill of openings, closings, bits and bites from all over Brooklyn!

Good taste: Peter Shelsky will also hold discounted tastings at his eponymous Smith Street appetiz-

ing shop one Monday a month — and you won’t have to contend with a hangover the next day. As Pardon Me For Asking reported, a \$20 ticket buys a host of noshes, such as smoked salmon bites, whitefish salad canapés, sugary rugelach and slabs of homemade chocolate babka, plus a salmon slicing demo and lesson, and discussion about pickling and smoking. A perfect date for you and your bubbly!

Spam-alot: According to Here’s Williamsburg, residents can soon satiate cravings for poke and poi (along with that other, other white



Photo by Elizabeth Graham

Have a ball: (From right) Frank “Brother of Michael” Ayoub and chef Kert Eggers show off the classic meatball sandwich from Polpette, the meatball shop next to the venerable Fornino restaurant.

meat) at 84 Havemeyer St. — the location of an upcoming Hawaiian-themed restaurant. Although the borough is hardly saturated with fare from the 50th state, Bay Ridge alone is home to two new contenders — Aloha Grinds and the upcoming Ho’brah tacos. Do we sense a trend on the horizon?

Konditori continued: What do you think of when you think of Sweden? Fish? Meatballs? Particle-board furniture? Political neutrality? How about coffee bars? Park Slope just got a little bit Swede-r now that a Seventh Avenue outpost of Konditori has joined the original location on Fifth Avenue near Sackett Street. Both serve French-press coffee and traditional Swedish cardamom bread, cinnamon rolls, and coco balls — so good, they’ll make you want to go bork bork bork!

Meatball moment: Like wood-fired pizza, organ meats, and hamburgers before them, meatballs are now having their moment in the bun. The latest men

with balls are Fornino owner Frank Ayoub and his chef Kert Eggers, who have turned the generally excellent restaurant’s lackluster takeout counter into Polpette, a meatball sandwich shop. Standout Dagwoods include the pork meatball with fennel sausage on a potato roll and Josphine’s Famous, featuring classic beef balls on a hero. The turkey meatballs were a bit disappointing, but you can’t have everything.

What happens in Greenpoint: Chef/restaurateur John Fraser got plenty of attention for his experimental What Happens When, a temporary Lower East Side restaurant (don’t call it a pop-up!) that changed menus — and décor — each month. He got even more attention when it abruptly shuttered in June over complications obtaining a liquor license. Why do we care? Grub Street reports that Fraser is steps away from signing a lease in Greenpoint — albeit for a much less avant-garde eatery.

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Di Fara is back

And our reporter had the first pizza

By Eli Rosenberg
The Brooklyn Paper

You asked for it, and the city delivered.

The legendary Di Fara’s Pizza re-opened last Wednesday around 12:30 pm, giving pizza-philies one last chance to snag a slice before Thanksgiving, after the restaurant breezed through the city’s health re-inspection that morning.

“It feels like a grand opening,” said Margy DeMarco Miele, who works along side her father, owner Domenico DeMarco, in the shop. “Fresh starts always feel good.”

The city shuttered the renowned pizzeria on Avenue J in Midwood, often named the city’s best, last month after a Health Department inspector said he found evidence of mice and flies in the kitchen.

Pizza-lovers citywide were up in arms — some accusing the department of trying to make a sacrificial pie out of the pontiffs of pizza.

But after a city re-inspection, the joint reopened,



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Pizza the action: Nathan Karp, pizza groupie, headed to Di Fara’s as soon as he heard the place reopened last Wednesday.

slowly churning out deliciously charred buffalo mozzarella pies.

“This is the best pizza in the universe,” said Frank Benpensata who rushed over to the shrine as soon as he got word DeMarco was back. “I’m happy they reopened.”

A pie ordered by The Brooklyn Paper was deli-

cious, a sign that the restaurant had not changed in the week that it was closed.

The DeMarcos said they harbored no resentment toward the Health Department, but they thought that the shutdown could have potentially been avoided.

“The [Department] is trying to make things better and says its interest is in the public’s health,” said Miele. “But people will tell you they live for our pizza — they’re not dying over it.”

Customers concurred.

“I would eat this pizza if it had dog s—t on it,” said Tom Kissane, a Di Fara fanatic who was so untoubled by the Health Department’s allegations that he came from Queens with his pregnant wife to enjoy some pre-Thanksgiving pizza.

Di Fara Pizza was closed on Thanksgiving but will be open on Friday for normal business hours. Saturday it will be closed briefly for a private event.

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Grow your own

A competition to feature the follically gifted

By Dan MacLeod
The Brooklyn Paper

Give us your bearded, your mustached, your mutton-chopped masses yearning to grow free! A group of Greenpoint pogonophiles are going whisker-to-whisker in the group's second facial hair take-down — a party that celebrates the magic and grandeur that only a room full of hairy dudes can bring. It's a party that will attract the world's most follically talented men — and a few bearded women (more on that later) — including top beard-smiths such as Jack Passion, who has

CONTEST

Beard and moustache competition at Club Europa [98 Meserole Ave. between Manhattan Avenue and Lorimer Street in Greenpoint, (718) 383-5723]. Dec. 3, 7 pm. Tickets are \$15. For info, visit www.gothamcity-beards.com.



Beardo: Mike O'Connor, organizer of the beard and moustache competition that will take place at Club Europa in Greenpoint on Dec. 3, shows off his "full, natural beard."

been described as "the Michael Jordan of full-beard competition." At least 50 beards will compete in the Gotham City Beard Alliance event

this year in categories including full natural beard; partial beard; 99-percent beard (formally the "recession beard"); fake beard (for women and the

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Smith Street in Gowanus), www.gowanuscanaconservervancy.org.

BAROQUE ACROSS THE RIVER: A celebration of French culture. \$20. 7 pm. Brooklyn Historical Society [128 Pierrepont St. at Clinton Street in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 222-4111], www.brooklynhistory.org.

SUN, DEC. 4

PERFORMANCE

MUSIC, VINYL FAIR: With DJ Uncle Mike. Free. Noon. Brooklyn Bowl [61 Wythe Ave. between N. 11th and N. 12th streets in Williamsburg, (718) 963-3369], www.brooklynbowl.com.

THEATER, "A CHRISTMAS CAROL": 2 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

MUSIC, LESSONS AND CAROLS WITH THE COBBLE HILL CONSORT: Free. 4 pm. Christ Church [326 Clinton St. at Kane Street in Cobble Hill, (718) 624-0083].

MUSIC, CHORAL CONCERT: Sunday music recital. Free. 6 pm. Good Shepherd Church [1950 Batchelder St. at Avenue S in Marine Park, (718) 998-2800].

MUSIC, SALSA SUNDAY: With the Williamsburg Salsa Orchestra. \$5. 8 pm. Brooklyn Bowl [61 Wythe

Ave. between N. 11th and N. 12th streets in Williamsburg, (718) 963-3369], www.brooklynbowl.com.

OTHER

HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR: Hand-crafted gifts, raffles and refreshments. 10 am. St. Andrew the Apostle Parish [6713 Ridge Blvd. between Senator and 67th streets in Bay Ridge, (718) 680-1010], www.standrewtheapostle.net.

MOVIES, HAROLD LLOYD SHORTS: Featuring "Girl Shy," and "Graduate." Free. 1:30 pm. Brooklyn Public Library's Central branch [Flatbush Ave. at Eastern Parkway in Grand Army Plaza in Park Slope, (718) 230-2100], www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org.

INVENTING BROOKLYN EXHIBIT TOUR: Free. 2 pm. Brooklyn Historical Society [128 Pierrepont St. at Clinton Street in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 222-4111], www.brooklynhistory.org.

LESSONS AND CAROLS: Readings will be in English and Spanish. Free. 4 pm. St. Finbar Msgr. Scanlon Center [Bath Ave. at Bay 20th Street in Bath Beach, (718) 236-3312].

READING, KIDS HOLIDAY PARTY: Readings of "Razle Dazzle Ruby," by Masha D'yans; "Stuck," by Oliver Jeffers; and "Toys Come Home," by Emily Jenkins. Free. 4 pm. PowerHouse Arena [37 Main St. at Water Street in DUMBO, (718) 666-3049], www.powerhousearena.com.

COMEDY, EUGENE MIRMAN AND FRIENDS: \$7. 7:30 pm. Union Hall [702 Union St. at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 638-4400], www.unionhallny.com.

MON, DEC. 5

FILM, "PINGU": A "Big Movies for Little Kids" favorite. \$7. 4 pm. Cobble Hill Cinema [265 Court St. between Butler & Douglass streets in Cobble Hill, (718) 596-9113], www.cobble-hilltheatre.com.

LITERACY FUNDRAISER: \$30. 7 pm. Galapagos Art Space [16 Main St. at Water Street in DUMBO, (718) 222-8500], www.galapagosartspace.com.

MUSIC, THE T.K. BLUE BAND: Part of "Jazzy Mondays" series. Free. 7 pm. For My Sweet [1103 Fulton St. at Claver Place in Bedford Stuyvesant, (718) 857-1427].

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MUSIC, ASUKA KAKITANI JAZZ ORCHESTRA: Free. 9 pm. Tea Lounge [837 Union St. at Seventh Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 789-2762], www.tealounge-ny.com.

TUES, DEC. 6

TALK, PANEL DISCUSSION ON ALBERT COSSERY: Featuring Robyn Creswell, Anna Moschovakis, and Anna Della Subin. Free. 7 pm. Word [126 Franklin St. at Milton Street in Greenpoint, (718) 383-0096], www.wordbrooklyn.com.

READING, BEST MUSIC WRITING 2011 MARATHON: Featuring Nitsuh Abebe, Franklin Bruno, Jeremy Denk, Nancy Griffin, Vanessa M. Grigoriadi, Wendy Lesser, Chris Norris, Lauren Puchowski, and Kelefa Sanneh. 7 pm. PowerHouse Arena [37 Main St. at Water Street in DUMBO, (718) 666-3049], www.powerhousearena.com.

THEATER, CILLIAN MURPHY IN "MISTERMAN": 8 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

THEATER, "HENRY V": 8 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

WED, DEC. 7

NY CREATES HOLIDAY CRAFT FESTIVAL: Free. 11 am–7 pm. Brooklyn Historical Society [128 Pierrepont St. at Clinton Street in Brooklyn Heights, (718) 222-4111], www.brooklynhistory.org.

WORKSHOP, TANGO LESSONS: For adults and youngsters interested in ballroom dancing. No experience and no partners necessary. Free. 6 pm–9 pm. IS 96 [99 Ave. P at W. 11th Street in Bensonhurst, (718) 232-2266].

WORKSHOP, JOB TRAINING: 6:30 pm–9:30 pm. See Saturday, Dec. 3.

THEATER, CILLIAN MURPHY IN "MISTERMAN": 8 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

THEATER, "HENRY V": 8 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

MUSIC, THE BAND: And free



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THURS, DEC. 8

NY CREATES HOLIDAY CRAFT FESTIVAL: 11 am–7 pm. See Wednesday, Dec. 7.

MUSIC, CORY BRANAN, DAVE HAUSE, SAD & FRENCH: \$10. 7:30 pm. Union Hall [702 Union St. at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 638-4400], www.unionhallny.com.

THEATER, CILLIAN MURPHY IN "MISTERMAN": 8 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

THEATER, "HENRY V": 8 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

MUSIC, NIGHT OF SINGER SONGWRITERS: With Max Bemis and Sherri Dupree. \$20. 8 pm. The Bell House [149 7th St. in Gowanus, (718) 643-6510], www.thebellhouseny.com.

COMEDY, PARTY MACHINE HOLIDAY SPECTACULAR: Featuring Lisa deLarios, Kristen Schaal, Eugene Mirman, Wyatt Cenac, Arden Myrin and more. \$15. 8 pm. Bell House [149 Seventh St. at Third Avenue in Gowanus, (718) 643-6510], www.thebellhouseny.com.

MUSIC, CHRISTIAN FINGER: Free. 9 pm. Tea Lounge [837 Union St. at Seventh Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 789-2762], www.tealounge-ny.com.

MUSIC, RIGUAD SIMON:

Free. 9 pm. Tea Lounge [837 Union St. at Seventh Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 789-2762], www.tealounge-ny.com.

FRI, DEC. 9

NY CREATES HOLIDAY CRAFT FESTIVAL: 11 am–7 pm. See Wednesday, Dec. 7.

TOY DRIVE: Annual Christmas benefit. \$15 donation. 6 pm. Sugar Hill Restaurant and Supper Club [609 Dekalb Ave. at Nostrand Avenue in Bedford Stuyvesant, (718) 298-1072], wbls.com.

READING, TOM RACHMAN: Author of "The Imperfectionists." Free. 7 pm. BookCourt [163 Court St. between Pacific and Dean streets in Cobble Hill, (718) 875-3677], www.book-court.org.

MUSIC, BAMCAFE LIVE ALL-STARS — CHURCH OF BETTY: Free. 7 pm. BAM-Cafe [30 Lafayette Ave. between Ashland Place and St. Felix Street in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4129], www.bam.org.

THEATER, CILLIAN MURPHY IN "MISTERMAN": 8 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

THEATER, "HENRY V": 8 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

THEATER, "A CHRISTMAS CAROL": 8 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

CARNIVOROUS NIGHTS TAXIDERMOMY CONTEST: \$7. 8 pm. Bell House [149 Seventh St. at Third Av-

follically challenged); natural moustache; styled moustache; and freestyle, which is where the really imaginative hair designs can be found.

Competitive bearding has taken off in the past couple years — partially thanks to the Independent Film Channel's "Whisker Wars" — a reality show about the nascent sport.

"It's sort of a niche thing, it's also become popular because it's so fun," said organizer Mike O'Connor, who describes his own belly-button-length growth as "a full, natural beard."

It's no secret that Mustached-Americans have long groaned under the yoke of mistrust in the court of public opinion — servants to a hairless master sneering in derision at post-ironic porn-star 'staches.

But beards and mustaches today aren't just for Tom Selleck and George Carlin, thanks to a growing acceptance of the style among celebrities — including actor Jon Hamm, freak folk phenom Devendra Banhart and pretty much everybody who regularly rides the L train.

And it's worth noting that the nation's top law enforcement official, Attorney General Eric Holder, is a Mustached-American.

"At some point it was a sign of a sex appeal to not have any facial hair," said O'Connor. "People are starting to realize that it is a natural look for men and shows that they are a healthy mate."

The event will raise money for breast cancer awareness, so now you can grow for a good cause.

enue in Gowanus, (718) 643-6510], www.thebellhouseny.com.

XMAS POP SING-ALONG AND SANTA CON PRE-PARTY: \$10. 10 pm. Union Hall [702 Union St. at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 638-4400], www.unionhallny.com.

SAT, DEC. 10

PERFORMANCE

DANCE, DANCEWAVE'S HOLIDAY FIESTA: \$10. 10 am–6 pm. Brooklyn Lyceum [227 Fourth Ave. at President Street in Park Slope, (718) 857-4816], www.brooklynlyceum.com.

MUSIC, GRETCHEN PARLATO: Free. 7 pm. BAM-Cafe [30 Lafayette Ave. between Ashland Place and St. Felix Street in Fort Greene, (718) 636-4129], www.bam.org.

MUSIC, WIND SYMPHONY HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER: \$20 suggested donation. 7 pm. Matt Torey's Bar [46 Bushwick Ave. at Ainsley Street in Williamsburg, (718) 218-7646].

THEATER, CILLIAN MURPHY IN "MISTERMAN": 8 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

THEATER, "HENRY V": 8 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

THEATER, "A CHRISTMAS CAROL, THE MUSICAL": 8 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

THEATER, "A CHRISTMAS CAROL": 8 pm. See Friday, Dec. 2.

MUSIC, ISABELLE OLIVER: Free. 9 pm. Tea Lounge [837 Union St. at Seventh Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 789-2762], www.tealounge-ny.com.

OTHER

WORKSHOP, JOB TRAINING: 10 am–1 pm. See Saturday, Dec. 3.


NY CREATES HOLIDAY CRAFT FESTIVAL: 10 am–5 pm. See Wednesday, Dec. 7.

TREE LIGHTING: St. Finbar's adult and children's choir will perform seasonal favorites. Free. 6:30 pm. St. Finbar Msgr. Scanlon Center [Bath Ave. at Bay 20th St. in Bath Beach, (718) 236-3312].

COMEDY, HEART OF DARKNESS: Hosted by Greg Barris, with Eric Drysdale, Shonali Bhowmik, and Max Silvestri. \$10. 8 pm. Union Hall [702 Union St. at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 638-4400], www.unionhallny.com.

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Brooklyn Museum [200 Eastern Pkwy. at Washington Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 638-5000]. Closed Monday and Tuesday. For info, visit www.brooklynmuseum.org.

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PARENT

Letting my daughter fly alone

This Thanksgiving, I put my younger daughter on a plane, by herself, for the first time. The airline attached a wrist band to her, like an all-day pass for an amusement park, and promised to escort her until she was in the company of her grandmother at the end of the trip.

I was worried. There were the big, enormous, blatantly irrational fears, like the plane going down in a fiery crash or some unknown virus wiping out all the passengers, my child taken from me forever. Then there were the smaller concerns, that I'd forgotten to give her credit card information so she could buy food or watch a movie, that somehow she'd get lost like a piece of baggage or that her drink would spill all over her in turbulence and she'd be miserably uncomfortable.

In reality, she's a 13-year-old who's been on airplanes many times and could certainly handle flying by herself, without the label of an "unaccompanied minor." She can read signs and use a cell phone but, still, something about independent travel inspired terror and dread on my part.

Even local travel can spark the same sort of fear. Recently my daughter and a friend asked to go into Manhattan on the subway, which generated a flurry of texts and phone calls among the kids and parents about the wisdom, and safety, of such a plan. They stayed in Brooklyn.

The concern in the back of my head is that she may not have the street smarts or awareness to manage some random situation she finds herself in. I often tell her it's easy to prepare for the routine, but handling the unexpected is the challenge. What if she's on the subway and it breaks down, has a crash or there's a blackout? If she's alone will she know what to do?

I could make her take a class. After all, there are self-defense classes, bike-safety classes, street-safety courses.

In fact, someone's willing to teach my child just about any kind of safety I can think of (even how to



The Dad

By Scott Sager

drink safely from a straw and how to safely escape neurotic parents).

I could simply keep her

home, locked up like Rapunzel, quarantined from life.

Another option, I could stay with her all the time. But really, I don't know how to handle the random situation any better than my teenager. I just trust my judgment and experience to get me through, perspective that she hasn't fully developed. Then I think of a friend of mine who described his ado-

lescence as a time where either you learned to manage situations or you got beat up. I asked him how he coped. "I got beat up once, and I learned."

As they closed the plane's doors, my daughter sealed behind them, I knew if I was sitting with her, I couldn't protect her from catastrophe, magically keeping the airplane aloft if the engines

failed. As for the little stuff, how will she learn if I never give her that chance? She can only learn to handle new situations by facing them. I'd like to think she's getting the chance in a measured way, through school, increased freedom in the neighborhood, but in the end, experience only comes by doing.

BLOOM...

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the barge her home. "She welcomed everyone with open arms," said classical pianist Jeffrey Biegel. "There were times I would come there to rehearse and she would be sleeping. She said, 'Practice lasted late last night. I slept over because I knew you were coming.'"

Bargemusic presents more than 200 concerts annually, 52 weeks a year, and offers a monthly free show for the community. Bloom herself often performed, making a special appearance at her 90th birthday bash in 2009.

"It's a rare treat to play with Olga," Peskanov told The Brooklyn Paper in 2004. "She's one of the most dedicated musicians, arriving [at the barge] by 7 am and putting in hours of practicing."

Bloom handed the reins to Peskanov in 2005, having transformed the 130-seat space into a serious venue for professional musicians, including members of the London and New York Philharmonics.

Olga Bloom was born in Boston on April 2, 1919 to a Russian father, who worked

TV...

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ing his picture taking while holding his nose to prove to newspaper readers that the Owls Head Sewage Treatment Plant smells.

But when a planes flies overhead, his ability to watch "Jeopardy" is, well, put in jeopardy.

Bortnick says that interference caused by the plans make his TV lose reception during the morning, late afternoon, early evening and late at night.

And Bortnick said he's tried everything to solve the problem.

"I put a rabbit antennae out the window, but I face east and reception is poor to begin with," he said. "I lose my signal and programs just break up or I lose the signal [all together]."

Bad reception caused by planes—know as "airplane flutter"—happens when signals bouncing off of low-flying planes create a warped image known as "rolling"—the very symptoms Bortnick sees while trying to get his daily fix of "Wheel of Fortune" on Channel 7.

The Korean War vet said that he and his elderly neighbors, many of whom also pick up TV signals with rabbit ears, can't afford to pay for cable, so they'll have to make do with a warbled "Regis and Kelly."

"An awful lot of people in this neighborhood have not bothered to go out and buy flat screens," said Bortnick, who claims he has a five-year-old television plugged into a digital converter box (though pictures of the TV seem to prove otherwise), and says that he can't afford a better rig on his veteran's benefits and Social Security.

Justin Brannan, spokesman for Councilman Vince Gentile (D–Bay Ridge), said that when he contacted the Federal Aviation Administration—the agency that monitors the country's airspace—on Bortnick's behalf, he was told that planes have been flying directly over the Ridge for the past month.

"This time of year and into the winter, LaGuardia uses Runway Four and Runway 310," he said the agency told him. "This approach takes them right over Bay Ridge."

The agency did not respond to our repeated requests for comment on Bortnick's dilemma.

So he'll just have to wait until spring, when planes will no longer be routed over the Ridge.

"I'm just sitting back and waiting," he said. "In the meantime, I'll just keep pestering them in the hopes that they'll change something."

as labor organizer, and an Austrian-born mother, who worked in shoe factories.


She studied the viola at Boston University and at the New England Conservatory of Music by offering her talents for free to the school orchestra. "That's the way we poor ones worked it," she told People magazine in 1998.

Over the years, Bloom worked with a USO orchestra and film companies—performing background music for movies, and Broadway orchestra pits.

She lost a husband in World War II and later married violinist Tobias Bloom a

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PIZZA...

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front down the block.

“We’re thrilled — we’re tired of being retired,” said Carol Grimaldi, who speaks for her press-shy husband of 40 years. “Patsy is so looking forward to having the pizza in his coal oven. He’s missed that a lot.”

The Grimaldis plan to renovate the shop and rename it Juliana’s after Patsy’s late mother. The restaurant will open in March, setting up a clash of titans not seen in the pizza business since Anthony Pero split off from Lombardi’s and opened Tototonno’s.

That was exciting enough, but in a sudden twist, the city on Friday blocked Grimaldi’s owner Frank Ciolli from opening in his new location next door after he apparently tried to install a new coal-fired oven under the cover of darkness.

Ciolli couldn’t be reached for comment, but Marcello Pervido, who owns the new Grimaldi’s location at 1 Front St. assured pie lovers that the joint would open with a dual gas and coal cooker soon.

“Everything was done legitimately,” Pervido said. “It was just a mistake on the part of the architect in filing the papers — that’s all it was.”

But this “mistake” was not the work of a mere “architect,” but the firm of Robert Scarano, the so-called starchitect of the New Brooklyn, who is best known for his modern designs and for being stripped of his right to certify his own plans after a long history of falsifying documents.

Ciolli claimed that he hired Scarano to apply for a construction permit — but Scarano apparently only asked the city to approve the installation of a “pizza oven”; he never mentioned using coal.

Scarano maintains that Ciolli really was installing a gas oven that simply uses coal for flavor.

“Unfortunately, he wasn’t finished and instead of telling everyone, he blamed my firm so we resigned,” Scarano said. “I wish him good luck. ... And hope he makes better pizza there.”

That will be difficult now that Grimaldi has repossessed the coal oven from Grimaldi’s. Such brick ovens, which can hit 1,000 degrees and create that sought-after smoky flavor, are illegal in New York unless they’ve been

grandfathered in or building owners get a very rare approval.

Local pizzarazzi say it’s enough to ignite a saucy new battle between Ciolli and his predecessor.

“It’s like a family feud,” said Larry Leonardi, who owns DUMBO’s Front Street Pizza, a normal-oven joint. “The landlord wanted to hurt Grimaldi’s — and bringing back Patsy is how they’re doing it. Good luck to Patsy and good luck to Grimaldi’s!”

The pie-eating world was shaken up last week when The Brooklyn Paper reported that Grimaldi’s was being booted from its 21-year home by Nov. 30 — and losing its beloved coal oven — after landlord Mark Waxman refused to resign his lease.

Days later, in a dramatic twist of fate, we also reported the return of Grimaldi, who learned to make tantalizing

pies as a teenager at Patsy’s Pizzeria, the East Harlem pie shop owned by his uncle Patsy Lancieri. After the original Patsy died in the 1970s, his widow sold the shop to longtime employees, forcing Grimaldi to open the joint in DUMBO in 1990.

Eight years later, he sold his name and his oven to Ciolli, whose family now operates offshoots in Manhattan, Queens, Hoboken and Las Vegas.

But after Ciolli fell behind on rent and out of the graces of the landlord, the old pontiff of pizza got a second chance.

Still, Grimaldi and his family refuse to acknowledge Ciolli as competition, saying there’s enough pie to go ‘round.

“I don’t want to say anything bad or good,” said Carol Grimaldi, who speaks for her press-shy husband of 40 years. “[Grimaldi’s] was our baby, and sometimes you’re not crazy about who she marries.”

TIRES...

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vard said that the vandals slashed at least one tire on up to 40 cars 24 hours after business cards for Danny’s Rims Tires and Accessories were placed on dozens of car windshields.

“It could just be coincidental, but it’s kind of fishy,” said one neighbor who declined to be identified because he feared retaliation by whoever was behind the tire slashings. “Most times, it’s just some kid and they hit one tire. But this time, they did it so that you can’t just throw a spare on.”

Neighbors agreed that the carnage was too widespread to be the work of teens out having fun.

“This was either a nut or someone from another area trying to drum up business,” said Jack McLoughlin, who ended up forking over \$250 on new tires for

vintage Mercedes at the 67th Street Tire Corp. between Fourth and Fifth avenues. “You’re not going to get a lot of business doing this kind of thing.”

Cops said that they were looking into the connection between the slashings and the cards for the shop on Fourth Avenue between 11th and 12th streets.

“We are aware that there were some cards found on the area,” said Captain Richard DiBlasio. “The 6-8 detective squad has an open investigation on that.”

The slashings left locals fuming over wasting an entire morning getting their tires fixed.

“I was really mad. I’m still mad. I’m getting two used tires, but it’s costing \$110 — plus I lost a half a day’s work,” said Hamdi Asad, who said that a neighbor rang his doorbell at 5 am

to tell him that the block was hit overnight by vandals.

The brother of the tire shop’s owner flatly refused any connection.

“It’s got to be a bad coincidence,” said Jolio Moran. “We don’t pay people to slash tires. It’s frustrating that people would even think we would do something like

that. We don’t even specialize in fixing flats. Our main thing is [selling] rims.”

The shop pays two men to distribute the cards, he said.

“My brother would never send people out to slash tires knowing that they’re going to come back here,” he said.

Local cops were incensed

by the crime.

“We have a zero tolerance for such acts of vandalism in the Bay Ridge community and we will catch those who did this and see that they are prosecuted to the full extent of the law,” said state Sen. Marty Golden (R–Bay Ridge), a former cop.

— with Colin Mixson

BQE

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struction by 2020, nearly 30 years beyond the roadway’s original lifespan.

The aging triple cantilever is considered at immediate risk. The rapidly degrading roadway abuts Brooklyn Bridge Park and carries more than 160,000 vehicles a day — far more than it was originally designed to accommodate.

That portion of the roadway currently fails to meet federal highway standards.

To get it up to speed —

literally and figuratively, the state had estimated at least \$250 million for a simple reconstruction, but up to \$20 billion for a tunnel from Sunset Park to Greenpoint. Washington would put up 80 percent of the funding — but state planners say there now isn’t enough money for the bare-bones improvements.

“In these financially difficult times, the [Transportation Department] is making strategic choices to make the best use of our limited resources,” said Naomi Doerner of Sam Schwartz Engineering in an e-mail to transportation representatives.

The state will continue making repairs to the BQE but “in a comprehensive manner as funds become available,” said Jonathan McDade, a state administrator for the Federal Highway Administration, in his notice rescinding the repair work.

That cool confidence flies in the face of an earlier comment by a transportation official, who said in 2009 that the roadway could last 10 to 15 years before it declines steeply. With the termination of the current repair project, any construction will not be completed before that deadline.





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fault for the relief demanded in the complaint. NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above entitled action is to foreclose a tax lien for the amount due and interest, recorded in the office of the Register/Clerk of the County of Kings on the 18th day of August, 2010 and bearing City Register File Number ("CRFN") 2010000279055 covering premises described as follows: ADDRESS:248 STANHOPE STREET, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK, BLOCK: 3269 LOT: 26 COUNTY: KINGS The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the tax lien described above. Plaintiff designates Kings County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the county where the Property being foreclosed upon is located. NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME IF YOU DO NOT RESPOND TO THIS SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF WHO FILED THIS FORECLOSURE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. A DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED AND YOU MAY LOSE YOUR HOME. SPEAK TO AN ATTOR-

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